

Torrey Town Minutes
Regular Meeting held July 14, 2011
Torrey Town Hall
6:00 pm

Present Mayor Adus Dorsey II

Council Members Present

Janet Hansen
Jamie Austin
Jen Howe
Curtis Cook

Welcome: Mayor Adus Dorsey welcomed and called the meeting of July 14, 2011 to order at 6:00 pm. The mayor stated that the meeting was a regularly scheduled meeting. A motion to approve the minutes of the June 9, 2011 meeting was made by Curtis Cook by and seconded by Jen Howe. All voted in favor.

Financial Report: Colleen Dudleston Presented the bills paid and revenue that was brought in during the past month. Checks written \$29770.00 revenue \$38167.00. This month we made more than we spent. Colleen also gave an update on the Big Apple Days Balance for 2010 started with \$4318.88; our present balance is \$4666.16. Profit of \$347.28. So we do have a start up balance for next year.

Paula Pace went over the purchasing policy of the town and explained to each member what they had to do in order make major purchases. Being as this in the beginning of the new fiscal year, it is very important that each member be aware of the purchasing policy. Anything over \$1000.00 needs to come before the council. She expressed that it is just good judgment and ethics to present any major purchases to the council.

Colleen went over the capital projects list and Jen proposed that the council prioritize those projects. Five projects are listed; each was discussed as to the importance it the posed to the town. Number one was the purchase of an ATV. Number 2 would Tree Trimming. #3. 4th North blacktop for 1 1/2 blocks # 4 cemetery wall, # 5 cement for basketball court. Councilmember Hansen had concerns that the town could face some consequences if a person were to get hurt on the basketball cement pad because of its condition. She noted that we had been cited by the At Risk people as a project to fix.

Procedures were discussed as to how to present the projects and in was noted that the same policies and procedures of the purchasing policy were to be followed with capital projects. Colleen explained that when we make appropriation from that list, it needs to have the signatures of the council. Just because there is money in the projects fund does not mean the town can fund it. Colleen said that approximately \$4000.00 of the water budget was not allocated for anything and it could possibly be used to help with the purchase of the ATV.

Chad discussed the conditions of the water line, and told what would be necessary to keep the line running. The overflow has caused some problems. He went over each spring and discussed the overflow, and some road damage that had been done. Chad has just been trying to maintain the system so we don't have major problems. He reported a leak on 2nd north on Sunday 3rd. Chad suggested the town prepare a spread sheet to help him better assess the material needed to fix leaks and repairs. Mayor Adus Dorsey expressed he needed numbers for costs of repairs on the water lines including Chad hours, so that he could use the numbers to apply for grants and bonds to purchase tanks and other necessary materials to keep our water system working. Mayor Adus Dorsey suggested that the town have more tanks to help

with the over flow. Janet expressed her concerns about the overflow of the water. Chad tried to explain how and what we could do to help with the water flow from the springs.

Mayor Dorsey discussed some of the new requirements connected with the CDBG Grant.

Mayor Dorsey wants to keep Chad busy with the water projects so he felt it would be necessary to have help in town to work on some of the other projects. Mayor Dorsey suggested Tim Pote to help with the town. He will do the mowing and yard work in the town. The Mayor felt Tim could do the job and it would not be necessary for him to operate a backhoe. He is scheduled to begin work the week of July 18th.

Parks Janet Hansen: The Park was well used during the Torrey Big Apple days. In the Capital Improvement projects there is \$375.00 earmarked for the pavilion cabinets. Janet has taken several bids for the new cabinets. She has asking for bids from Troy Anderson, Nathan Morrell, Bruce Vandyke and John Taylor.

Chad mentioned to Janet that he is looking into the possibility of having the prisoners come in and help with working on the area around the playground equipment. He also had concerns about the concessioners that had driven around on the lawn and he suggested that next year we have a specific place for them to unload rather than driving all over the lawn.

Cemetery Jen Howe: Jen suggested that the town write a resolution to the cemetery ordinance that states that plot purchases are paid in full when persons purchase a plot. Jen suggested that a person can't resell to anyone but the town and there will be an administrative fee of \$50.00 charged to the person. She would like to amend the cemetery ordinance to read as such. Jen told the council that a woman with the state archives met with her and Paula to discuss putting all the Utah Cemeteries online with the state archives. This would include putting all the names on a spread sheet and the plot number. She has worked with Brandon and it should work well with the work he has done with the town of Torrey. We have about 2 months to complete the project. The women had a great deal of information that will be helpful to the town. Jen has received a bid for the Cemetery gate of \$16,000.00. No other bids came in. The council would like a detailed list of what the bid would include.

Roads Curtis Cook: Nothing

Mayor asked the council to support his purchase of the ATV. Curtis made the motion to pay for it and Jen seconded it. It was not stated which funds the purchase would come from.

Dave Covington's water application was presented to the town and a motion was made to give him a water hookup by councilmember Janet Hansen and seconded by Curtis Cook.

Jen gave an update of planning and zoning meeting. A questionnaire will be sent out with the water bill for each person to fill out. This will be in the form of a survey. She read a paper as to why annexation would be essential and helpful to the town of Torrey. It covered issues like taxes and zoning, other concerns people might have. Curtis said to go ahead and send out the letter to the people. The survey will be very simple and will be prepared by the first of the month. It was suggested that some of the information figures connected to annexation be presented to the council so they would have information to review. People who received the survey had the option of signing their name or leaving it blank.

The new business license will be adopted at the August meeting with the said changes.

Tax increase was presented by Clerk Paula Pace. It was stated that Torrey pays the lowest tax rate in the county and has the highest land value Councilmember Jen stated that we were the lowest in the whole state. The revenue brought in by the taxes is \$2827.00 per year. She cited the taxes of other cities in the county and indicated the increase we would have as a town if we were to increase our taxes to that amount. Several scenarios were presented to the council and the council decided not to have a tax

increase this year, but would perhaps look at one at a later time. The same tax rate of .000172 will be certified on the tax web site.

Community Input. Diane, was concerned about the survey, her suggestion was that everyone should sign their name so the council could see the areas of where the people lived and how they felt about annexation. Paula Pace expressed her experience with being annexed. She said her life really did not change much and she was glad to be part of Torrey Town.

Curtis Cook made the motion to adjourn and it was seconded by Janet. Hansen and all were in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 7:26.